

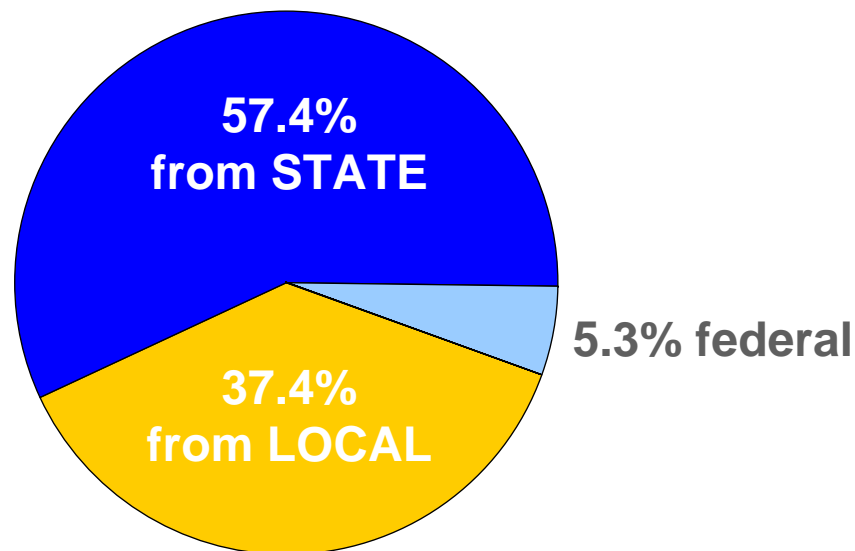


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RETURN ON INVESTMENT

Each Iowa public school district has a general fund that is comprised of revenues from local, state, and federal sources.



Total state general fund appropriations (millions)	\$4,938.6
% to PK-12 education	43.2%
Average total expenditures per pupil (03-04)(NEA)	\$7,098
State cost per pupil	\$4,931

We must ensure that public education provides a good return on taxpayers' investment.

Certified Annual Report, Management Aid Levy worksheet, Program and Budget Summary.

Total State Investment Per Student

	<u>03-04</u>	<u>01-02</u>	<u>85-86</u>
Nation	\$8,156	\$7,536	\$3,481
Wisconsin	9,483	8,608	3,878
Illinois	9,113	7,597	3,301
Minnesota	8,916	8,067	3,766
Kansas	7,982	7,353	3,573
Nebraska	7,324	6,811	3,101
South Dakota	7,300	6,522	2,908
Iowa	7,098	6,819	3,357
Missouri	6,947	6,759	2,794



INVESTMENT BY FUNCTIONAL CATEGORY

Instruction & Student Support	73.5%
Transportation	3.8%
Operations & Maintenance	8.7%
Administration & Management	10.2%
Support Services	3.8%



State-funded budget adjustments for districts with declining enrollment will be phased out by 2014.



149 districts (40.8%) have a budget adjustment for the 2006-07 school year.

< 250 students	27 districts
< 999 students	108 districts
>1,000 students	14 districts

ADDRESSING THE CHALLENGES

- The state provides incentives for districts to **share resources** such as staff or facilities.
- The state provides **support** for districts that decide to consolidate or dissolve.
- Challenge to policymakers: Is the investment adequate to meet today's challenges?



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